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Customer No.: 35161**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Serial No.: 09/732,091                      Examiner: Portner, Virginia Allen  
Applicant:     Jing-Hui TIAN, et al.                      Atty Docket No.: 71515.009.999  
Filed:            December 7, 2003                      Customer No.: 35161  
Group Art Unit:     1645                      Confirmation No.: 3097  
Title:            **HELICOBACTER PROTEINS, GENE SEQUENCES AND USES THEREOF**

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

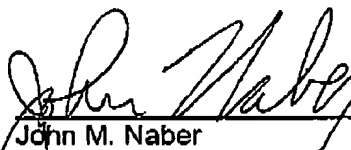
Applicants petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Final Office Action, dated April 26, 2005, for the above-identified application, from July 26, 2005 to October 26, 2005.

A credit card authorization form for the payment of the statutory fee of \$1,020.00 is attached. The Commissioner is directed and authorized to charge any additional fees or any underpayment of fees which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 04-1061.

Respectfully submitted,

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